

**AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER OF WAUKESHA COUNTY  
ADVISORY BOARD  
Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting Date/Time:** 5/7/09

**Location:** Human Services Center Brookfield Room

**Committee Members:**

<u>A</u>	Curtis, John	<u>X</u>	Lee, Lorraine
<u>X</u>	Farell, Dennis	<u>X</u>	Pagels, Nancy
<u>X</u>	Goetz, Jennifer	<u>X</u>	Turkoske, Julie
<u>X</u>	Graham, Bill	<u>EA</u>	Weidmann, Larry
<u>X</u>	Hansen, Patricia	<u>EA</u>	Wolff, Sandy
<u>EA</u>	Johnson, Scott	<u>X</u>	Zaborowski, William
<u>X</u>	Lee, Glenn		

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**X = Present      A = Absent      EA = Excused Absence**

**Additional Attendees:**

<u>X</u>	Cathy Bellovary, ADRC	<u>X</u>	Kathy Eckhardt, Contract Coordinator
<u>X</u>	Mary Smith, ADRC	<u>X</u>	Marie Stange, ADRC
<u>X</u>	Barbara Woyak, ADRC		

**Call to Order:**

Vice Chair Bill Graham called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

**Approval of minutes of April 2, 2009 meeting:**

Bill Graham called for approval of the minutes of the April 2, 2009 meeting. Dennis Farrell moved to approve the minutes; Pat Hansen seconded the motion; all in attendance approved. The motion is carried.

**Lifestyles Conference:**

Cathy Bellovary introduced Kathy Eckhardt, a contract employee, who will be coordinating and planning the Senior Lifestyles Conference scheduled for October 2009. Kathy, along with Marie Stange of the ADRC staff, are working tirelessly on the many details of the conference. Kathy shared comprehensive new plans for the conference this year, with new vendors, topics of interest, meals, etc. The theme of this year's event is 'Live, Love, Laugh, and Learn'. The theme is driving the type of vendors and presenters that are being sought to provide a new and interesting conference this year.

**Educational Segment – Caregiver Consortium:**

Mary Smith, of the ADRC staff, presented an overview of the United Way project, Caregiver Connection. The Caregiver Consortium, a group of fifteen Waukesha County organizations, focus assistance, awareness and access of caregiver resources. The project provides an interactive website, resource guide, caregiver retreats, support group for male caregivers, pet health fairs for the pets of seniors and caregivers, a workplace initiative, and a community calendar of events for individuals caring for someone over the age of 55. There is a valuable Hispanic link to the Resource Guide on the website, and businesses in the community are being targeted to bring awareness to employers on issues facing employees. Handouts were distributed. There were many questions, and good discussion.

**ADRC 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Beacon Activity Report:**

Barbara Woyak, of the ADRC staff, presented the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter Beacon report overview. She noted that there is an approximate 1500 contact increase per month for 2009. There was much discussion.

**Director's Report:**

- Cathy shared that she recently spoke to the County Board detailing the accomplishments of the ADRC during the first year. A handout was distributed. Cathy reported that the Board congratulated the department on its first year success.
- The budget process is beginning, and with the current financial status, many challenges exist.
- Cathy continues to attend ADRC meetings throughout the state, with a Director's meeting in Madison on May 6, and a Customer Satisfaction meeting in Juneau on May 8.
- The Volunteer Recognition Event was held on May 3 at the Country Springs Hotel. It was a successful event with participants enjoying the luncheon and the entertainment.
- The department has had dietetic and social work interns, and will be hosting a social work student for the summer.
- Milwaukee County recently toured the ADRC and was impressed with the facility. Dane County also visited recently, but the change to an ADRC in Dane County was recently rejected by their County Executive.
- Information was shared with the group about two upcoming Grandparent Focus group meetings. The focus is to identify the specific needs in the community.

**Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging Resources (GWAAR) Report:**

GWAAR is still in the process of reorganization/restructuring. John Schnabl, the former director of SEWAAA, is the OAA Programs and Special Projects Manager. GWAAR oversees the work of 70 counties.

**Coalition of Wisconsin Aging Groups (CWAG):**

Pat Hansen, John Curtis, and Nancy Pagels hope to attend the CWAG Conference in July. They are working with GWAAR and the ADRC on funding.

**People Can't Wait Report:**

- Julie Turkoske shared information about a planned Advocate Workshop on May 27, which will be a workshop for all age groups focusing on Family Care, and basics of services and care.
- Julie reported that she received a compliment on the services of the ADRC. A client was helped to disenroll from Family Care, and found the ADRC Specialist very helpful.
- Glen Lee reports that Care Wisconsin is working on transportation reimbursement.
- Glen shared that the next People Can't Wait meeting is changed from Goodwill to the Training Center. Contact Glen for additional information.

**Health and Human Services Board and Committee Report:**

- A Public Hearing was held several weeks ago where the focus was the declining budget and the need for additional funds for client services.
- Bill Zaborowski shared that with declining budgets, it is vitally important to find funding for client services. He has presented a proposal to privatize some county services and use dollars saved to help people in the community.
- Dennis Farrell reports that he will be meeting with the County Executive to discuss gaps in funding for services for disabled individuals.

**Adjournment:**

Julie Turkoske moved to adjourn the meeting; Lorraine Lee seconded the motion; all in attendance approved. Motion is carried.

**Meeting Dates and Times/Next Meeting:**

June 4, 2009 - 9:30 a.m.

Brookfield Room

**Approved** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

*Recorded and Submitted by Pat Popowski.*